IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Motoyoshi MURAKAMI et al.

Docket No. 00177/530155

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Group Art Unit 2766

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OPTICAL DISK, METHOD FOR RECORDING AND REPRODUCING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO AND FROM OPTICAL DISK, REPRODUCING APPARATUS FOR OPTICAL DISK, AND RECORDING AND REPRODUCING APPARATUS FOR OPTICAL DISK

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C.

Sir:

Kindly amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

line 2, change "is" to --includes--. Claim 10,

line 1, change "claim 42" to --claim 43--. Claim 44,

Claim 45, line 1, change "claim 42" to --claim 43--.